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Dear Mr. Fields:

This letter is prompted by the Commission's preliminary review of the report(s) referenced above. The review raised questions concerning certain information contained in the report(s). An itemization follows:

-Schedule B of your report discloses a contribution(s) to Henry E. Brown, Jr. For Congress for the retirement of debts incurred by the 2000 General election campaign; however, it appears that the recipient committee(s) had insufficient debts to warrant such a contribution. Please note that a committee may only designate contributions to retire a candidate's debts if those debts exist.

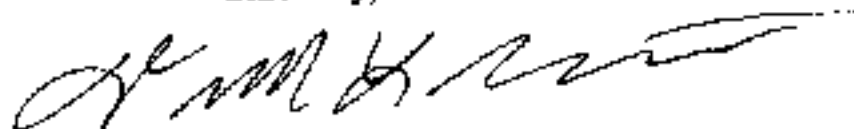
If the contribution(s) in question was incompletely or incorrectly disclosed, you should amend your original report with clarifying information. If you have made an impermissible contribution, you should either notify the recipient and request a refund of the impermissible amount and/or notify the recipient, in writing, of your redesignation of the contribution. All refunds and redesignations must be made within sixty days of the treasurer's receipt of the contribution.

Please inform the Commission of your corrective action immediately in writing and provide a photocopy of the refund or redesignation request sent to the recipient committee(s). In addition, refunds are reported on Line 16 of the Detailed Summary Page and on Schedule A of the report covering the period during which they are received. Redesignations are reported as memo entries on Schedule B of the report covering the period during which the redesignation is made. 11 CFR §110.2(b)

Although the Commission may take further legal action regarding this impermissible activity, your prompt action in obtaining a refund and/or redesignating the contribution(s) will be taken into consideration.

A written response or an amendment to your original report(s) correcting the above problem(s) should be filed with the Federal Election Commission within fifteen (15) days of the date of this letter. If you need assistance, please feel free to contact me on our toll-free number, (800) 424-9530 (at the prompt press 1, then press 2 to reach the Reports Analysis Division). My local number is (202) 694-1130.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'D. L. Averett', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Donald L. Averett
Reports Analyst
Reports Analysis Division

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